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In the November Atlantic Monthly, David Starr Jordan, gave us a chapter upon what he is pleased to call "Colonial Les-sons of Alaska."

It is crabbed, cabined and confined, and shows the ear marks of the schoolman.

His idea of resources is con-fined to seals and salmon and his remedy, for want of judg-ment is to supply an autocratic-acy, with enlarged powers on all fours, with Canada's policy in the North-West Territory, in the person of Governor Ogilvie, and to lease the rights to fish the rivers to large canning compa-nies, for a consideration.

With all respect to Mr. Jordon, we don't need anything of the kind. The seal killing leases were mere laws for individual profit, discreditable to the men in the league. The pretence of protection was a lie and all practical men of the country have known it for years.

Ever since the accession of the territory in 1867, we have been fair game for political theivery. We have had over 30 years of it, and they are still at it.

What did we buy from Russia? For comparatively nothing, we took into our national estate, a region one-fifth as large as the rest of the United States, with its incomparable coast lines, as long as all the rest, with tenfold more harborages than the balance of the continental coast lines of both oceans can offer, from Cape Horn to the frozen north. One-fifth as large as 45 sovereign states and 5 territories, into which a white population is rushing to stamp their impress upon every acre of it.

We took Alaska with a native population of 32,000 hybrids, the spawn of Russians and Chinese with the aborigines. These peo-ple will fall under the inexorable law of survival. The white man's potlatch of poteen and encroachment upon the peaceful preserves of his hunting and fishing and debauchment of the women, will swiftly and irrevocably exterminate them. The fight is on now to wrestle with the country for what there is in

it. The siwash, the seal and the salmon have dissolved before the living questions affecting men and women whose hands have made waste places to blossom with the fruits of a christian nineteenth century civilization. No country, not even Central Africa, has been so misconceived of as Alaska. Within the next 20 years, thousands of miles of railroad will be in operation; thousands of farms; thousands of cattle ranges, covered with horses and mules and sheep and horned cattle, will be found in Alaska. Skagway will be a city of 200,000 people; Juneau, 80,000; Wrangel, 30,000. The product of our mines will exceed those of California and Colorado combin-ed. To abuse the transportation companies for lying about trails and outputs, is puerile. Of course they lied. They lied 30 years ago at the Frasier River rush and 50 years ago about California. All our great western cities are the offspring of booms built upon lies. Tens of thousands fall by the wayside, both physically and financially, but, there came ten men to take each of their places. It will be so in Alaska in particular, because from excessive moisture it is and will be a hard field to prospect. Climatically it is far better than many a north-eastern center supporting large populations. Wrangel is a better all the year climate than Colorado, that mecca for the consumptive, which boasts of over 300 sun-shiny days in the year. Men come in here from high, dry cli-mates, shrivelled and yellow as shrimps, and take on flesh, muscle and health in a few months. Our water ways are an "open door" for the cheapest of all transport, the ship. Now, under such conditions and in respect of such a people, what sort of government does Alaska need? Not such as Mr. Jordon calls our col-onial government. We are not a colony, but an integral part of the whole of our common coun-try, a territory of the United States. More than that, we are fast rushing upon the verge of a precipitation into full fledged statehood, so fast that our needs demand the exercise of the right of home rule. Today it is not a question of denying by law the right of a white man to drink for fear an Indian will get it, but a question which will not be de-nied, the right to fashion our own laws and choose our public servants. The day has gone by when we are to be made a dumping ground for a horde of cheap political hacks whose abi-lities and party influences are too small to command them to more important and comfortable seats.

Alaska has now, no responsi-ble government. Certain counts, in a disjointed pretence at gov-ernment, have found an acciden-tal assignment to the secretaries at Washington. The Treasury head looks to the coast charting, the coast patrol, the care of animal life, the prohibition of in-toxicants and the control of the fishing industries. The U. S. Fish Commissioner is supposed to look after the fish and marine animals. The army branch cuts some indefinable and incongruous figure. The department of justice enforces the whole bun-dle of the statutes of Oregon, hit or miss. The Interior De-partment looks after the lands. The Bureau of Education is in charge of the schools, and the President appoints a Governor, whose duties, mainly, are to pre-sent his annual observations and issue Thanksgiving proclama-tions, discussing the conduct of the war. No body has knowledge or authority, definitive and com-petent, and Congress over all.

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There is but one thing to be done in such cases, and that is for the various communities to get together in convention to discuss and determine upon a form of government for Alaska, with the right of representation in Congress, the right of an elective home legislature and executive. As between Alaska and Oregon, there is nothing in common. We have practically ceased to have trade communication with her. There are so many features here so dissimilar to and at variance from hers, that to find an Oregon law fitted to a particular case arising upon a differing condition here, would be impossible.

We would like the newspapers of Alaska to take up this ques-tion and keep at it persistently until we shake off this incubus of having a dozen sponsors 3,500 miles away, who never were in Alaska and never will be; who think the whole country a howling ice-bound wilderness and that every man in it is either a renegade from Oregon or a fugitive from justice or a d---d fool.

TO THE PUBLIC.

The Journal, fully impressed with the importance of Wrangel as a prospective mining centre, and of the great advantages to accrue to the business interests of the town by encouraging men to prospect in good faith, has es-tablished a mining feature to its office.

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Rev. John Pringle will give a profitably talk to our citizens at the Opera House on Monday next, the 9th inst., commencing at 8 o'clock, to which all are invited. There will be no charge for admission. Mr. Pringle has a practical knowledge of the subjects he will talk upon and his facts as to the various sections which he has personally visited and lived in, will be intelligently and truthfully presented. Our people will be surprised at the possibilities and characteristics of the country to the north and northwest of us. We know of no one who has a clearer conception of it than he, and we hope the house will be filled to hear him. The Journal, convinced that much good would result from a correct exposition of the resources, routes and characterizations of the indomitable men wintering there, have asked Mr. Pringle to give us the benefit of his experiences and his judgement founded upon them, as to what things should be done to expedite and conserve the development and building up of this section, to which Wrangell is a seaboard point of approach and distribution. Arms length opinions of Alaska are being ruthlessly dispelled by the observations of men who have summered and wintered on the ground. A slight adaptability to conditions is as surely conquering the North regions as did the adventurous pilgrims who planted colonies on a rock bound coast, worshipping God with a Bible in one hand and a gun in the other. The poetic conception of the country must fall under the searching eye of the pioneer. "Cold from the north the breezes blow from wastes that slumber in eternal snow," would imply a howling waste. We hear the pioneer however tell of a luxuriant flora, miles upon miles of earth carpeted with them, of wild grasses breast high. Truly, it is a pleasant disillusion and will help men over many hardships and lighten their load of the fear they may be moving to a bourn from which no traveller returns. Truly God's providences are forever present to temper tempestuous winds and marrow freezing cold, to the shorn lamb. No one is competent to truthfully describe a country except he who has travelled much in it with eyes open to see and a heart full of a wise understanding.

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A Small Blaze.

What might have proved a very serious conflagration was timely averted at Bruno Grief's building. Mrs. Charles Mack occupies a room over the saloon and on Sunday evening last went out to supper. Soon after her departure Messrs. Goldthwaite and Stratford the Townsite Commissioners who occupy the adjoining room heard noises which sounded like the popping of corks. Upon investigation they discovered smoke coming through the crevices of the door of Mrs. Mack's room. Finding the door locked they hurriedly summoned Mr. Greif who forced an entrance. The fire had made considerable head having caught the ceiling and partition. Mr. Greif's vigorous efforts with blankets, supplemented a little later by a few buckets of water supplied by Mr. M. N. Hirsch, soon put the fire out. The room was badly demoralized, but the damage probably will not exceed \$75.00. If the fire had gained head it would have involved the most thickly built section of the town and most of our best buildings and a heavy loss of valuable property. This incident gives more emphasis upon the necessity of a proper water supply for the town. The fire is supposed to have originated from the ignition of the contents of one of the toilet bottles standing on the bureau in close proximity to the lamp.

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In the United States Commissioner's Court, for the District of Alaska, at Wrangell.

The Seattle Hardware Company, plaintiff,

vs. The Explorers and Travelers Company, defendant.

In the name of the President of the United States:

To the Explorers and Travelers Company, defendant:

You are hereby commanded to be and appear before the undersigned United States Commissioner, for the District of Alaska, at his office in Wrangell, Monday the 9th day of January, 1890, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to answer the above named plaintiff in a civil action. And you will take notice that if you fail to so appear and answer, for want thereof, the plaintiff will take judgment against you for the sum of \$125 together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Given under hand and seal at Wrangell, Alaska, this 9th day of November, 1898.

FRID. PAGE-TUSTIN,
Seal U. S. Commissioner for the
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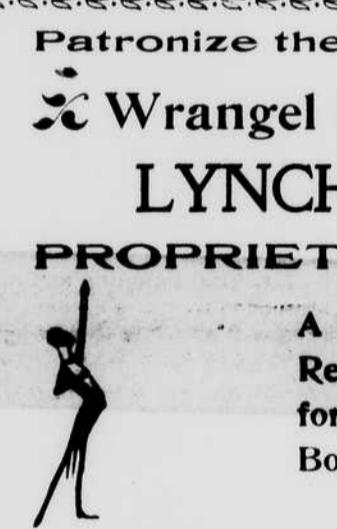
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